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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Taku Hirasawa et al.

Application No.: 10/506,750

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For: Ink-Jet Head Production Method And Ink-Jet  
Recorder

Examiner: L. M. Solomon

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the election requirement, applicant hereby elects the species covered by Group I (Claims 1-2), drawn to method of fabricating an inkjet head.

Applicant's election is made without prejudice and Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the non-elected invention (Group II, Claim 3) at a later date. As noted by the Examiner, upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to not more than a reasonable number of species in addition to the elected species, provided that all claims to each additional species are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.146.

An action on the merits of all the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

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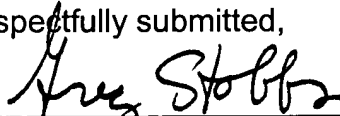
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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-0750, under Order No. 5077-000224/US/NP from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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